

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of
3 Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Lt. Col. John
4 H. Stein of Valdosta, Georgia on March 23, 2003, in
5 Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom while on a
6 humanitarian mission along with five others to rescue two
7 injured children; and

8 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Stein was born July 8, 1963, in Des
9 Moines, Iowa, to Jay and Hazel (Fick) Stein; he married
10 Barbara Nelson July 9, 1983, in Macomb; and

11 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Stein grew up in the Macomb area and
12 moved away in 1983; he was a 1985 graduate of Rochester
13 Institute of Technology and received his master's degree from
14 the University of Maryland; and

15 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Stein was commissioned into the United
16 States Air Force; he had flown 3,901 hours during his
17 military career; he had volunteered for the rescue mission he
18 was flying; and

19 WHEREAS, During his military career, Lt. Col. Stein
20 received a Meritorious Service Medal, an Air Medal Aerial
21 Achievement Medal, an Air Force Commendation Medal, an Army
22 Commendation Medal, and an Army Achievement Medal; and

23 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Stein's passing will be deeply felt by
24 many, especially his wife, Barbara Nelson; his father, Jay W.
25 Stein; his mother, Hazel Henry; his two sons, Doug and Tim
26 Stein; his daughter, Erin Stein; his three sisters, Holly
27 Stein, Nevada (James McLaughlin) Stein, and April (Bryan
28 Brittain) Stein; his six nieces; and his two nephews; and

29 WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his grandparents;
30 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of
3 Lt. Col. John H. Stein along with all who knew and loved him
4 and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends,
5 and community; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Lt. Col. John H.
7 Stein who gave his life in the service of his country; and be
8 it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Lt. Col. John H. Stein with our
11 deepest sympathy.